GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – BC Welfare Department – Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 against Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired) - Article of Charges – Orders – Issued.

BACKWARD CLASSES WELFARE (D) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.165 **Dated:07-09-2022**
Read the following:

1. From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada, Rc.No.69/DES-VVZ/2019-S.12, Dt.23.12.2021.
2. G.O.Ms.No.55, BC Welfare (D) Dept., dated.07.09.2022.

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ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government vide reference 2nd read above, under Sub-Clause (i) of clause (b) of Sub-Rule (2) of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for initiating departmental proceedings against Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired), it is considered necessary to hold an inquiry against the said Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired) in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I and II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III and IV).

3. Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired), is directed to submit his written statement of defence within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order.

4. Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired), is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny article of charge.

5. Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired), is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the period specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

6. Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired), is informed that Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 stipulates that under no circumstances, Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that the said Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired) is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.JAYALAKSHMI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Ch. Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District(now retired) "through" the Director of BC Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada.

Copy to:
The Director of BC Welfare, A.P., Vijayawada. (with a request to serve this order copy and return the dated acknowledgment copy and the Written Statement of Defense of Charged Officer)
SC.

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[Annexure to G.O.Rt.No.165, BC Welfare (D) Dept., Dt:07.09.2022]

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE AGAINST SRI CH. PYDI RAJU, ASSISTANT B.C. WELFARE OFFICER, VIZIANAGARAM (URBAN), VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT(NOW RETIRED):-

That Sri Chalapaka Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District while functioning as such during the period between 03.08.2016 and 14.11.2019 (till the date of Surprise Check) who retired on 31.05.2020 committed grave misconduct in as much as:

Charge No. 1:

That the Retired Employee while working as Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District failed to properly inspect the Government B.C. Welfare Hostel for Boys, Pedduru, Poosapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District and failed to raise the lapses/remarks if any committed by the H.W.O. and supervise the performance of HWO resulting in several irregularities in mismanagement of the hostel and also failed to take all possible steps to ensure the proper maintenance of the hostel by the HWO and thereby contravened Rules 3 (1), 3 (2) & 3 (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as he was retired from service on 31.05.2020.

Thus, the Retired Employee Sri Chalapaka Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District by his above-mentioned acts has exhibited lack of devotion to duty, failed to maintain integrity, behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Govt. Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3 (1), 3 (2) & 3 (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as he was retired from service on 31.05.2020.

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ANNEXURE –II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH. PYDI RAJU, ASSISTANT B.C. WELFARE OFFICER, VIZIANAGARAM (URBAN), VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT(NOW RETIRED):-

Charge No. 1:

That the Retired Employee while working as Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), Vizianagaram District failed to properly inspect the Government B.C. Welfare Hostel for Boys, Pedduru, Poosapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District and failed to raise the lapses/remarks if any committed by the H.W.O. and supervise the performance of HWO resulting in several irregularities in mismanagement of the hostel and also failed to take all possible steps to ensure the proper maintenance of the hostel by the HWO and thereby contravened Rules 3 (1), 3 (2) & 3 (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as he was retired from service on 31.05.2020.

Statement of Imputations for Charge No-1

The following facts, oral and documentary evidence is on record to substantiate the above charge: -

Facts:

i) During the Surprise Check, Sri Chalapaka Pydi Raju (SO-3) has stated that he visited the Government B.C. Welfare Hostel for Boys, Pedduru, Poosapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District on 10.10.2019 in the academic year 2019-20. But during the surprise check it was observed that the G.S. (Government Servant) failed to raise/write the lapses/remarks if any committed by the H.W.O. and also the Government Servant failed to supervise the performance of HWO resulting in several irregularities in mismanaging of the hostel and also observed that the Superior Officers Inspection notes/Register was not maintained in the hostel by HWO.

ii) During the surprise check, Sri Chalapaka Pydi Raju, S/o Surya Raju, 59 Years, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban), who was supposed to visit the hostel every month, has visited the hostel only on 10.10.2019 in the academic year 2019-20. No proper supervision of the Superior Officers/Inspecting Authorities about the functioning of the hostel and it was shifted to the hostel to the under-construction private building unauthorizedly. During the surprise check, it was observed that sanitation of the Hostel was poor and HWO did not maintain some records and did not update some records. He failed to supervise effectively and ensure proper functioning of the hostel as well as the duties of his sub-ordinate Sri Bonula Appalakonda, Hostel Welfare Officer, Government B.C. Welfare Hostel for Boys, Pedduru, Pusapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District and the then Hostel

Welfare Officer Sri K. Sankara Rao, which enabled the aforesaid Hostel Welfare Officers to commit many grave irregularities.

Oral Evidence:

i. Sri Sivvam Mallikarjuna Radha Krishna, S/o Late Lakshmana Swamy, Age; 50 years, Asst. Controller, Legal Metrology, Vizianagaram District, R/o Flat No. 203, Haripriya Heaven Apartment, KRM Colony, Visakhapatnam.

ii. Sri Maradana Damodhara Naidu, S/o Late Raja Gopala Rao, Age; 28 years, Senior Asst. O/o Deputy Controller, Legal Metrology, Vizianagaram, R/o Raminaiduvalasa Village, KPD Valasa Post, Jiyyammavalasa Mandal, Vizianagaram District.

They are the mediators; they will speak about the surprise-check proceedings, seizure of records, and examination of the witness.

Documentary Evidence:

i. Letter Rc. No. 136/2019/B1, dated:20.06.2020 of the District B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram: It reveals about the Inspection of Hostels by the Supervising Officers of the B.C. Welfare Department etc.

ii. Surprise Check Report dated:14.11.2019: Mediators report drafted in the A.P. Government Backward Classes Welfare Boys Hostel, Pedduru, Pusapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District on 14.11.2019.

Hence, the charge against the Retired Employee that he failed to properly inspect the Government B.C. Welfare Hostel for Boys, Pedduru, Poosapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District and failed to raise the lapses/remarks if any committed by the H.W.O. and supervise the performance of HWO resulting in several irregularities in mismanagement of the hostel and also failed to take all possible steps to ensure the proper maintenance of the hostel by the HWO is held substantiated.

Thus, the Retired Employee Sri Ch.Pydi Raju, Assistant B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram (Urban, Vizianagaram District by his above-mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty, and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby contravened Rules 3 (1), 3 (2) and 3 (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 r/w Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 as he was retired from service on 31.05.2020.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH. PYDI RAJU, ASSISTANT B.C. WELFARE OFFICER, VIZIANAGARAM (URBAN), VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT(NOW RETIRED) ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED:

Doc. No.	Description of the Document and purpose
01	Mediators report drafted in the A.P. Government Backward Classes Welfare Boys Hostel, Pedduru, Pusapatirega Mandal, Vizianagaram District on 14.11.2019
02	Letter Rc. No. 136/2019/B1, dated:20.06.2020 of the District B.C. Welfare Officer, Vizianagaram

Any other document if necessary, it will be produced at the time of enquiry.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSESS BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH. PYDI RAJU, ASSISTANT B.C. WELFARE OFFICER, VIZIANAGARAM (URBAN), VIZIANAGARAM DISTRICT(NOW RETIRED) ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED:

Witness No.	Name of the Witness and Purpose
1	Sri Sivvam Mallikarjuna Radha Krishna, S/o Late Lakshmana Swamy, Age; 50 years, Asst. Controller, Legal Metrology, Vizianagaram District, R/o Flat No. 203, Haripriya Heaven Apartment, KRM Colony, Visakhapatnam
2	Sri Maradana Damodhara Naidu, S/o Late Raja Gopala Rao, Age; 28 years, Senior Asst. O/o Deputy Controller, Legal Metrology, Vizianagaram, R/o Raminaiduvalasa Village, KPD Valasa Post, Jiyyammavalasa Mandal, Vizianagaram District
3	Sri C. Bhaskar Reddy, Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Vizianagaram Range, Vizianagaram
4	Sri M. Maheswara Rao, Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Vizianagaram Range, Vizianagaram

Any other witness if necessary, he/she will be produced at the time of enquiry.

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